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April 25, 2005

To: Supervisor Gloria Molina, Chair
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From: David E. Janssen
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**MOTION RELATING TO BASE REALIGNMENT AND CLOSURE PROCESS (BRAC)
(ITEM NO. 10, AGENDA OF APRIL 26, 2005)**

Item Number 10 on the April 26, 2005 Agenda is a motion by Supervisor Knabe to direct the Chief Administrative Officer to obtain background information on Illinois Governor Blagojevich's Executive Order No. 2005-4 and the Illinois Congressional delegation's action pertaining to Title 10 of the U.S. Code, and prepare correspondence recommending that Governor Schwarzenegger and his Administration take similar action to save bases in California.

Attachment I is Executive Order 2005-4, issued on April 5, 2005, which orders all relevant State of Illinois agencies involved with land use planning to ensure development that is compatible with or enhances the military value of military installations in Illinois, and which encourages local governments to adopt land use plans and enforce zoning regulations to ensure that planned development is compatible with or enhances the military value of such installations. Military value criteria are given priority consideration under the Department of Defense's base closure and realignment selection criteria.

Attachment II is the March 25, 2004 letter sent by House Speaker Hastert, Senator Durbin, and Representative LaHood from Illinois to Defense Secretary Rumsfeld, relating to the implications of Title 10 of the 10 U.S. Code for the Base Realignment and Closure (BRAC) process. The letter requests that, pursuant to Section 18238(e) of that title, "any and all actions taken under BRAC against Air and Army National Guard bases without the consent of the governors of those states be stopped immediately."

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Governor Schwarzenegger has been proactive in seeking to protect California's military bases from closure under the 2005 BRAC process. His actions have included the creation of the California Council on Base Support and Retention. Our Washington Advocates advise that the Governor's Washington staff is familiar with the State of Illinois' efforts to protect their bases and with legal arguments on the Pentagon's authority to close a National Guard base or to move a National Guard unit from its existing location without a governor's approval.

Please let me know if you need any additional information.

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Attachments

c: Executive Officer, Board of Supervisors
County Counsel